

WELCOME • PRAY • FOR WEEKS, WE'VE BEEN WANTING MORE DETAILS, TODAY WE GET IT • REVIEW

INTO THE FIRE: When You Are Confused

A Confusing History: Daniel 11:1 – 12:4 (p. 622)

READ IT ALL • DID THAT HELP? • ILL: THESE DETAILS PUT ME TO SLEEP • WE DON'T WANT DETAILS WE WANT SELFISH DETAILS! • MY FUTURE? WHAT SHOULD I DO? HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE? Clue #1: Passive voice verbs

[[VERSES ON SCREEN]]

Despite the many **KINGS**, God is really in **CHARGE**.

Clue #2: Everything has a "time"

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DID YOU SEE WHAT I DID THERE? I ELIMINATED THE DETAILS! BUT IT GETS WORSE

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Take it Home: Relax and Trust

FOUR THINGS WE NEED TO TRUST

1. God's **WORD** is **TRUE**

I WANT TO SHOW YOU SOMETHING DANIEL DIDN'T KNOW • IN V. 36, EVERYTHING CHANGES DID THE VISION SUDDENLY GO WRONG? OR HAS THIS LAST PIECE NOT HAPPENED YET? WHEN YOU ARE CONFUSED, TRUST GOD'S WORD

2. Evil's not **DEAD YET**

THIS LOOKS LIKE THE LITTLE HORN, AND IT SHOWS UP ALL THE TIME, BUT SINCE THE END HASN'T HAPPENED, EVIL STILL IS OUT THERE! • NORTH AMERICA IS NOT IMMUNE.

3. Fires **<u>REFINE</u>**.

WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT "FIRES" OF TESTING ALL ALONG, AND NOW WE SEE IT MORE CLEARLY. THE DRAMATIC PERSECUTION AT THE HAND OF TERRIBLE TYRANTS SERVES TO REFINE GOD'S PEOPLE.

4. VICTORY is COMING.

THREE KINDS OF VICTORY COMING: DESTRUCTION OF EVIL, ESTABLISHMENT OF GOD'S KINGDOM. OUR UNDERSTANDING • OUR ETERNAL LIFE • FIRST TIME THE BIBLE CLEARLY TEACHES RESURRECTION, ETERNAL LIFE, AND ETERNAL JUDGMENT • ARE YOU ON THE WINNING SIDE?

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